

# HUNDREDS OF LIVES DESTROYED BY TIDAL WAVE

## Volcano Is Now In Eruption In the Philippine Islands

### OLD PIONEER PASSES AWAY THIS MORNING

F. P. VAN PATTEN CROSSES THE  
DIVIDE EARLY THIS  
MORNING.

Another of the old pioneers of the state, another of those whose whole life was associated with the upbuilding and development of the commonwealth, died at 4:18 this morning, at his home in this city, in the person of F. P. Van Patten. He was born in 1835, and consequently was in the 77th year of his age.

The announcement of his death came as an entire surprise to his hosts of friends in the community. He had been sick only four days, having been brought from the Tonopah Mining company the other day. He was suffering from a complication of stomach and kidney troubles, coupled with old age, but a fatal termination was unlooked for by his family. But his condition proved to be more serious than was realized, and the call of his Maker was not to be denied.

The deceased came to the state in 1863, settling in Austin, and later married Miss Mary Geering of Alpine, Churchill county. He was sheriff of Lander county for two terms—from 1884 to 1888—and also served several years as deputy United States marshal. He made a splendid record as an officer.

He leaves behind him to mourn his loss, beside the sorrowing widow, eleven children. Five of these—a daughter, Amelia, and four sons, William, Calvin, Clyde and Robin, are living here. Another daughter, Mrs. George Muncy, is a resident of Sparks; still another, Mrs. Frank Triplett, is at Austin; and another, Mrs. Fred McMahon, is a resident of Little Shasta, Cal., while a fourth, Mrs. A. J. Mackay, is living at Hanford, Cal. Two sons reside outside of Tonopah—Frank A., living at Moscow, Utah, and George V. P., at Plush, Ore.

The deceased had been a resident of Tonopah for about eight years, and latterly was employed as watchman and dry-man at the Tonopah Mining company. He was known by almost the entire community, and all boasted his friendship. He possessed the esteem of all whom he met.

During his long residence in the state the deceased was identified with every public project; was always progressive and enterprising, and in every respect a model citizen. He is one of those of whom it may be truly said the world is the better for having lived in it. No arrangements will be made for the funeral until the absent children are heard from. The date will, however, be determined by night and will be announced in tomorrow's Bonanza.

A singular coincidence in connection with the death of Mr. Van Patten is that his sister, Mrs. W. W. Bissell, living at New Rochelle, N. Y., died just eighteen hours before her brother here in Tonopah. The sister was 74 years of age at her demise.

### NAME INDIAN WAR HERO.

By Associated Press.  
EL PASO, Tex., Jan. 30.—General Lorenzo Torres, a hero of the Yaqui Indian war, has been nominated for governor of the state of Sonora, Mexico. The state election comes in April. General Torres is a brother of the present governor, Luis Torres.

### INSANE MAN CAPTURED.

By Associated Press.  
SAN JOSE, Cal., Jan. 30.—G. W. Hresler, said by the police to have escaped from the Chester state hospital for the criminal insane at Lanard, Ill., was captured in the Santa Cruz mountains yesterday.

### HIT BY CAR LAID UP NOW IN HOSPITAL

W. V. RYAN, WELL-KNOWN LOCAL MINER, MEETS WITH  
ACCIDENT IN FRISCO.

Mrs. W. V. Ryan, wife of one of the well-known miners of this camp, left for San Francisco on this morning's train in response to a telegram from W. J. Odgers of that city, stating that her husband, who is in the Emergency hospital there, was losing his mind and her presence was desired.

Mr. Ryan left here for the coast metropolis last week, and the first day he arrived there, while standing in the street at Third and Market, he was struck by a street car, knocked down, and seriously injured. The extent of his injuries are not known here, but they were undoubtedly serious. He was removed at once to the Emergency hospital, where he is now confined.

Mrs. Ryan was accompanied by her two children, and will remain with her husband until he is able to be brought here.

The family is not in the best of financial circumstances, and an effort is being made to get assistance for them from the local Miners' Union, of which Mr. Ryan has long been a member. He has lived here for seven years, and at the time he left here was employed at the Tonopah Extension.

### HAS EXCITING EXPERIENCE DOES AVIATOR

By Associated Press.  
HAVANA, Jan. 29.—J. A. B. McCurdy, the American aviator, started from Key West, Florida, today for this city in a Curtiss biplane.

When within ten miles of his goal the lubricating oil became exhausted and he was compelled to descend into the sea near the torpedo boat destroyer Spaulding, which picked him up and brought him to this place.

The distance from Key West to Havana is 112 miles, about six miles more than the distance from Dover to Calais, across the English channel.

### ONE DYNAMITER IS APPREHENDED IN OKLAHOMA

By Associated Press.  
OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., Jan. 30.—A man giving the name of Charles Smith was arrested here today charged with being implicated in the blowing up of the Los Angeles Times. He answers a description sent out.

### BABY ADRIFT ON THE COLORADO RIVER

The 3-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. James Taylor of El Dorado canyon, went adrift on the treacherous Colorado river the other day in a boat in which he had been playing. Indian runners were started as soon as the child's disappearance was noticed and overtook the boat several miles down the stream, where it had lodged in some bull-rushes. The little one was rescued uninjured by the perilous voyage.

### KILLED BY INSURGENTS.

By Associated Press.  
EL PASO, Texas, Jan. 30.—A message received last night from Bisbee, Ariz., says that Colonel Kos-

### Five Villages Destroyed and Hundreds Killed---Natives Take to the Hills for Safety---Fires Are Started From Molten Lava.

By Associated Press.  
MANILA, Jan. 30.—An American school teacher, who has traversed the west shore of Lake Taal, telegraphs that five small villages have been destroyed by a tidal wave and not less than three hundred persons were killed in that vicinity.

Many of the victims were burned in fires started by molten lava from the volcano Taal, which is at present in eruption.

All the towns within a radius of twenty miles are more or less damaged by the shower of mud and stones.

The eruption continued throughout the day.

The natives have abandoned the villages in the vicinity of Lake Taal and sought refuge in the hills nearby.

Mount Taal rises in the center of Lake Taal a body of water fifteen miles in circumference. It is thirty-four miles from the city of Manila. So far this city is in no apparent danger.

With the first violent eruption of Saturday the volcano island appeared to sink five feet.

The water of the lake, rising rapidly, swept the shore, carrying away many bamboo shacks and catching scores of natives like rats in a trap.

### STILL TAKING TOWNS ARE REVOLUTIONISTS

### They Capture Several More Places In Mexico---Boosting the Treasury By Holding Prisoners for Ransom

By Associated Press.  
MEXICALLA, Mex., Jan. 30.—The victorious rebel band which has taken possession of this town in Lower California, just across the border, is apprehensive that an expedition may be organized on the American side to dispute the control of the place with them.

On the point of a gun a message was handed across the line to Sheriff Meadows of Imperial county, Cal., warning him that any attempt to rescue any of the rebels and prisoners would be a violation of neutrality, as the insurgents are not a mob but are fighting for principle.

The insurgents have left the town now and are camped near Packard station, on the Inter-California railroad.

### Collected Ransoms.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 30.—A party of Los Angeles capitalists, including Harry Chandler, manager of the "Times," and General M. H. Sherman, have returned from Mexicalla, where they arrived just after the capture of the place.

The body of Jailer Jose Villase-nor lay in the street. He was

killed by a rifle bullet fired, it is said, by Simon Berthold, an American leader of the rebels.

There was no attempt at looting or open robbery. Ransoms are demanded by the rebel leader from the sub-prefect and several wealthy men who were taken prisoners.

The amounts were finally paid and the men released. In this way the rebels secured about \$2000.

### Rebels Are Gaining.

MEXICO CITY, Mex., Jan. 30.—San Juan Evangelist terminal of a branch of the Tehuantepec railway, and San Juan Jalapa, near Coat zacacoas, are reported in dispatches from Vera Cruz to have been occupied by revolutionists under command of De Rinquet Silver-nama of Vera Cruz.

Sayula, on the west border of Chiapas, is reported to have been evacuated by federals on the approach of rebels.

No news of any encounters of any moment were reported here yesterday. In Chihuahua General Navarro is said to have marched into Santo Tomas, which was thought to be a stronghold of the rebels, without meeting any resistance.

### COMEDY AND DRAMA AT THE BUTLER TONIGHT

The pictures for the Butler for tonight's performance are as follows: "Hank and Lank as Blind Men" (comedy); "The Greater Call" (drama); "An American Count," a funny picture, illustrating how a girl was fooled into marrying her old sweetheart, whom she summarily dismissed, when she was told a foreign count was to visit her. Also a big Biograph feature entitled, "Winning Back His Love," a story of a woman whose husband became infatuated with an actress, the latter encouraging his attentions under the impression that he was single. This is a good program and one must see it to appreciate it.

No fight pictures will be shown until further announcement.

### STILL CONTINUES.

The senatorial deadlock in New York, Montana, Colorado and Iowa is still unbroken, according to today's dispatches.

terlitzky, commanding the federal rurales in Northern Sonora, has been killed in a fight with insurgents.

Our "Want Ads" bring results.

### PRACTICAL ILLUSTRATION OF TRUST METHODS

Manager Goodfriend, of the Butler, is having an illustration of trust methods these days. He has been announcing pictures of the Nelson-Moran fight, to be presented Thursday night. It now appears that it is an independent concern that produced the fight pictures, and as the local house is bound by an agreement with the moving picture trust, which prohibits its patrons from patronizing concerns outside its control, the pictures may not be offered here after all. Manager Goodfriend is in telegraphic touch with the trust people trying to get their consent to presenting the pictures.

### HUNT GETS APPOINTMENT ON NEW CUSTOMS COURT

By Associated Press.  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—The senate committee on judiciary today voted to report favorably the nomination of Judge William F. Hunt to be additional circuit judge to sit on the new customs court. Nelson, Borah and Clark voted against the nomination.

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### HOUSE TAKES THE EXPOSITION VOTE TOMORROW

LOWER HOUSE OF CONGRESS TO  
BE POLLED TUESDAY ON EX-  
POSITION QUESTION.

By Associated Press.  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—The roll of the house will be called tomorrow in order that members may answer "New Orleans" or "San Francisco" in expressing a preference as to which city shall hold an exposition in 1915 in celebration of the opening of the Panama canal. The proceedings is so unusual that it is likely to attract large crowds to the galleries. There is keen rivalry between the supporters of the contending cities.

### WELL-KNOWN COUPLE TRY DOUBLE HARNESS

There was a quiet wedding Saturday evening at the home of Mrs. Wm. Youren and Mrs. A. K. Williams in Billy Ewing and Mrs. Kate Williams were united. The ceremony was performed by Rev. H. L. Burnham, and was witnessed by only a few friends of the contracting parties.

The couple are two of the best known and most popular young people in the city. The groom is in the employ of the West End. They will make their future home in this city.

### HONDURAN INSURGENTS ARE LIVELY

By Associated Press.  
SAN JUAN DEL SUR, Honduras, Jan. 30.—General Duron, at the head of 200 revolutionists, has invaded the department of Cholote-ca, Honduras, and is preparing to march on Tegucigalpa, the capital. Another body of revolutionists is reported operating near Campanete, about seventy-five miles east of the capital.

### HIGH SCHOOL PUTS ONE ON TOWN TEAM

AN INTERESTING BASKET BALL  
CONTEST AT THE GYM  
LAST EVENING.

There was an interesting game of basket ball at the gymnasium last evening, in which the competitors were the Tonopah Basket Ball club and the High School team. The game was hotly contested, and the high school boys carried off the honors by a score of 34 to 10.

The line-up was as follows:  
High School. Tonopah.  
Harrington. Davidson  
Forward.  
Bowler. Kennedy  
Forward.  
Flood. Stotesbury  
Center.  
Pengilly. Glrton  
Guard.  
Quillley. Kelly  
Guard.

The winners are seeking games with Carson and Goldfield, but whether they can be arranged is not known yet. The Tonopah Basket Ball club is scheduled for a game with Goldfield at the latter city on the 10th inst.

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### SLOT MACHINES ARE BARRED IN TONOPAH

DISTRICT ATTORNEY DIRECTS  
LOCAL POLICE TO RULE  
THEM OFF THE ROOST.

The following letter, issued from the district attorney's office, is self-explanatory:

"Tonopah, Nev., Jan. 30, 1911.  
"Chas. G. Smith, Chief of Police,  
Tonopah, Nev.

"Dear Sir:—It has been brought to the attention of this office that slot machines are being conducted and operated in your jurisdiction. This is to notify you that unless the machines are stopped, proceedings will be taken against you and the parties operating the machines. A confusion as to officers' duties in the enforcement of the gambling act, with reference to slot machines has been brought about by an opinion of Attorney-General Stoddard, and until Attorney-General Baker advises to the contrary, slot machines will not be permitted.

This letter is written not as an apology for failure to prosecute the violators of the act to date, but to save prosecutions until Attorney-General Baker delivers an opinion in response to my request today.

"Yours truly,  
"J. A. SANDERS,  
"District Attorney of Nye County."

In compliance with the instructions the chief of police notified the several places in town where slot machines were in operation that they must be put out of business, under penalty of arrest. There were, however, but three of them in town.

The owners of these machines, however, were not wilfully violating the law. They simply took the opinion of the attorney-general last December, that the law did not prohibit their use where no money consideration was involved, as permitting them to use the machines with this restriction.

The attorney-general, it will be remembered, said if checks of the slot machine were redeemable in merchandise there was no violation of the law.

District Attorney Sanders takes issue with this opinion, and instructs the police to bar all slot machines until the new attorney-general passes upon the question.

The opinion among local business men, however, is that any action of this sort could have been well postponed until the new attorney-general was heard from. The slot machines are allowed in Goldfield, and they are licensed in Reno, and business conditions are so discouraging in Tonopah just now that it is felt to be untimely to draw the lines too stringently. The Bonanza would rather see some latitude allowed in this matter—and give the saloons a chance for their white alley.

### EVEN THE NAVY HAS

THE AVIATION FEVER  
SAN DIEGO, Cal., Jan. 30.—A commissioned officer of the United States navy flew an aeroplane yesterday for the first time. It is said, in the history of the navy. The flight was made by Lieutenant Theo. G. Ellison, in a Gertiss biplane, and was witnessed by a large crowd gathered on the polo field of the Country club at Coronado.

The flight was of short duration, but was regarded as highly successful.

### FAILS FROM BUILDING WITH FATAL RESULTS

By Associated Press.  
PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 29.—A large sign blown from the top of a building fell on a crowd of shoppers today, killing a woman and man and injuring a number of others.